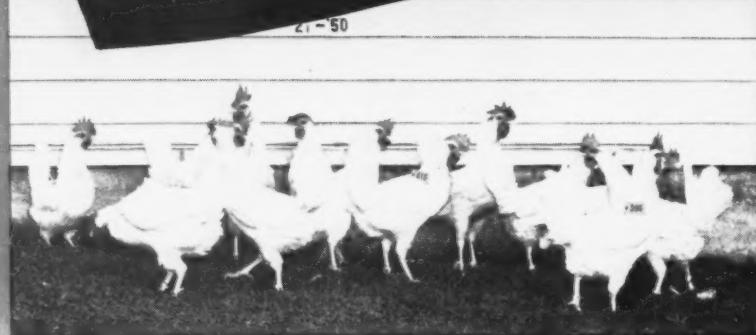


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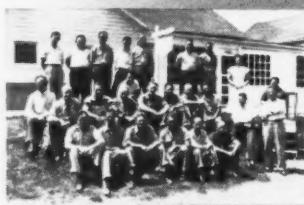
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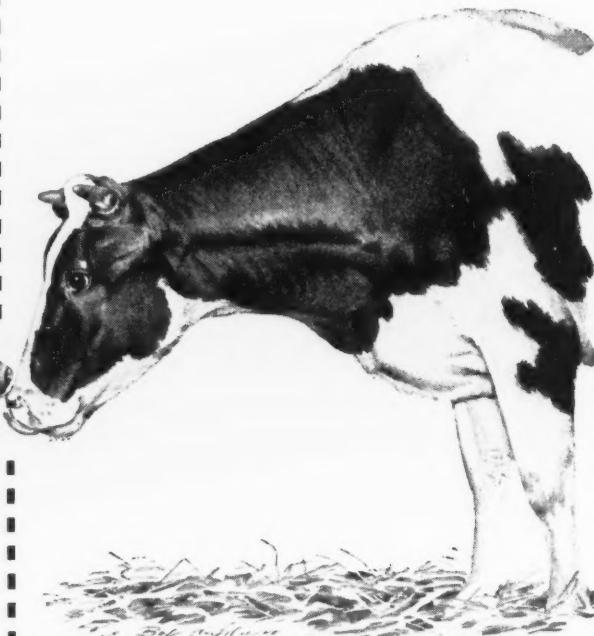
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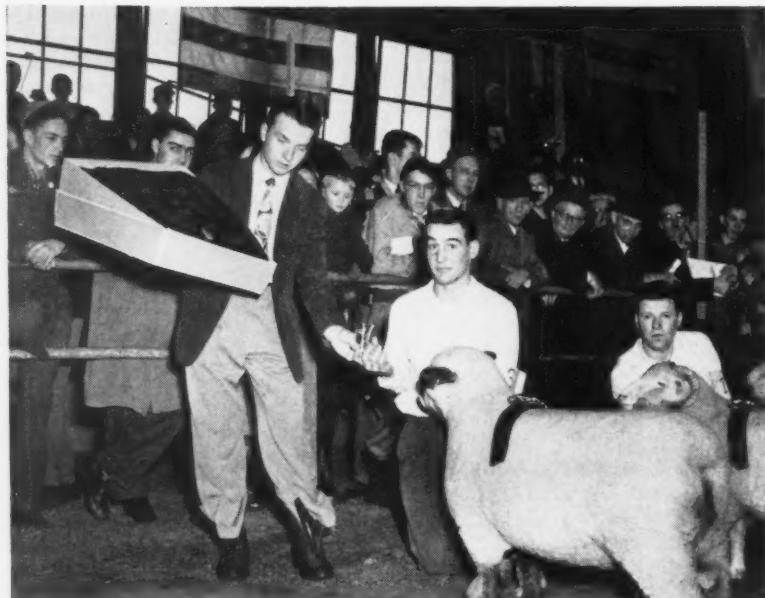
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# Modern Crusade-- Mastitis Control

By Margot Pringle '53

"Mastitis?"—Yah, we've heard plenty about mastitis." A weary student turned and looked straight at the inquirer. "We get it in lectures, in text books, we get it in extension meetings, country newspapers and in breed magazines. Popular subject these days."

Popular or unpopular as the case may be, mastitis is certainly getting more attention than it used to. Most dairymen have a backlog of personal information regarding it, and this experience together with high-powered modern research is putting it more and more into the category of diseases that can be licked. After years of concentrating upon the handling of milk after it leaves the udder, experts discovered that one of the greatest sanitation problems was to be located in the udder itself. In 1946 the New York State Legislature appropriated funds to make an all-out campaign against this usually infectious cattle disease which has plagued the dairy industry for years.

#### What Is It?

Just what is mastitis, anyway? According to the authorities it is an inflammation of the udder from any cause and it may manifest itself in a number of ways. Streptococcus and staphylococcus bacteria may enter the teat canals and lodge in the milk cisterns, from which they spread out through the infected quarter. Symptoms differ, depending upon the severity of the disease.

Chronic mastitis, for example, may go for years without notice, while the acute form results in marked pain and swelling of the udder and may terminate in death. Of course, milk production drops and abnormalities in the milk itself

will appear, such as flakes andropy strands of fibrous material. As the disease progresses to the secretory tissue itself is gradually destroyed and replaced by scar tissue, which produces characteristic lumps and hardesses in the udder. Thus the manufacture of milk may be eventually halted. The disease is not hard to diagnose. A few streams of milk from the infected quarter will show flakes of curdy material on the fine mesh screen of the strip cup. The use of the bromthymol blue testing apparatus will often detect the disease at an early stage.

Since New York is one of the larger dairy states in the Union (ranking third in the number of cows and first in the value of milk at the farm), it is natural that farmers here should be concerned about mastitis. Five out of every ten cows are infected with mastitis bacteria and losses for individual dairy operators may amount to \$3000 annually as a net result. This adds up to a \$21 million annual total loss to the industry on a statewide basis. Under the supervision of The College of Veterinary Medicine at Cornell University, the program-crusade got underway.

It is hard to cover the several aspects of the mastitis program in an article of this

size. Briefly, its aim is to lessen the frequency of mastitis losses in the state's herds by every practical means available, meanwhile conducting essential research projects and educating farmers on proper management practices through an active extension program.

Its physical setup includes six field laboratories throughout the state, each staffed by a field veterinarian, laboratory technician, assistants, and a secretary. The field vet works in cooperation with a local practitioner on farms where help is requested, doing physical examinations and laboratory analyses of milk samples to diagnose cases and special management problems in the herd.

The farmer is taught how to improve environmental conditions on his farm, cutting down on the spread of the disease, and keep careful records of all measures taken in order to find the most effective preventive measures and remedies. Demonstration herds were selected in the beginning largely on a basis of which was the worst off—today many of them stand mastitis clean, as monuments to what

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—Extension Service

Veterinarians E. W. Tucker, E. L. Fountain, and I. F. Reed examine a cow for signs of mastitis as part of the New York State Mastitis Control Program.

**The Curious Countryman**

# Draftee-Enlistee-ROTC The Ag Student In '51

By Conrad Oliven '53 and Homer Pringle '53

This month we cornered a few students and asked them how the present world situation was affecting their college education and future plans. The "present world situation" invariably narrowed to a discussion about the draft.

It is likely that the repeated advice of the administration to sit tight and not to get all excited about the draft has been well heeded. Then again, acceptance by advanced ROTC is a big deciding factor. Another thing, as one student phrased it, "This is one time age can be comforting."

Regardless of the influence, our aggies seem to be a pretty sensible lot after all. Most of them are trying to squeeze as much education in as Uncle Sam will permit.

*Charles Connor '53—general ag*

The whole factor is this: if I'm accepted by advanced ROTC I'll be able to finish school. Then it won't change my plans, just delay them. On the other hand, my plans would change if I'm not accepted by advanced ROTC. In that case, I'd enlist in the Navy.

*Fred Annis '53—rural ed*

My plans changed? Educationally, no. But it has changed things socially. Everything was going along nicely—all that goes with a college education—and this comes along. Before we were planning to have a good time over a long period; now we'll all do it in a hurry.

*José Soares '51—an hus*

No, it hasn't. Since I'm from Portugal, studying here under a student's visa, I'm not subject to the present draft law. Portugal, however has her own military program which will affect me upon my return.

*Frank Sahler '54—ag ec*

I had planned to get a farm of my own as soon as possible after graduation. This situation has made my future plans anything but clear. I'm subject to the draft and don't even know if I'll be back next fall.

*Myron Kelsey '53—rural ed*

I had planned to go to graduate school but since I just got my draft notice that'll be put off. It'll now require an advanced ROTC course to finish school—which I had not planned on previously.

*Bud Merrill '54—rural ed*

Just had my 18th birthday. The draft is inevitable but I won't enlist. As long as I am here I might as well do the best I can.

*Bob Whipple '51—plant phys*

I'd like to be here for quite a while to continue my education. Anyway, the longer the better. I don't think things are serious enough at this time to change my plans. If things do get worse, we'll all be directly affected.

*Phil Eastman '54—rural ed*

I'm at a ripe old age for the draft. I'm signing up for "advanced" in

June. If I don't make it I'll enlist in the Air Corps. No draft for me.

*Marina Ivanov-Rinov '53—journalism*

If war should be declared I certainly would not stay in school. I have no definite plans for the future and would join the Waves.

*Joe Rieman '52—general ag*

I'm a veteran, so I don't have to worry about it unless they change the present draft status.

*William Greveling, grad—rural ed*

Actually I don't have too much to worry about. I've had a little service and have completed my undergraduate study. This situation will provide more jobs for veterans, as I'm beginning to find out. I've been job-hunting lately; the first question I'm asked is, "What is your draft classification?" The way things look now I would say we won't have war for a little while.

*Dirk Wansink '53—general ag*

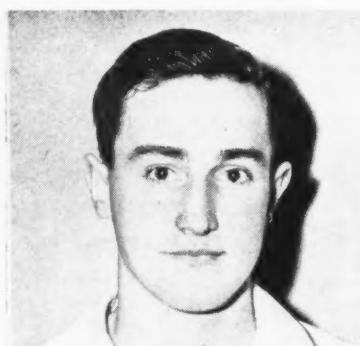
Hasn't changed my plans a bit. When the draft gets me I'll go.

*Joyce Smith '54—ag*

Until they draft women, I won't worry about it. I want a college education so I want to get through with that first. I think you're better prepared for a good job when you get out of college than out of the service.

*Ray Briggs '51—dairy husbandry*

I'm over draft age. That makes a difference unless they raise the age limit. But I don't think there will be war for at least a couple of years. About the present draft—physical standards should be lowered in the 19 to 25 year bracket before they take 18-year-olds. Probably universal military training would solve many problems.



**Phil Eastman**



**Ray Briggs**

H. Pringle '53

# Will Your Farm Catch Cold In The Draft?

Much concern has been registered lately about the status of boys on farms and how long they shall remain there before they fall heir to the fortunes of local draft boards. The *Countryman* has undertaken some research in this question for the sake of its value to our Farm & Home Week guests, for interested students, and for others who may have asked casually at one time or another "What is going to happen to the boys down on the farm?"

We have consulted the National Director of Selective Service and he has provided us with extracts from the Selective Service Act of 1948 which should help clarify the confused condition. Every male between 18 and 26 is required to register and be classified with his local draft board—no matter what diversion the registrant is currently engaged in.

## Why the Local Board

The classification is made according to what neighbors know about their neighbors when you come right down to it. For local boards are constituted by local folks, not by impersonal drafters from "down below". These people from the home-town are in an advantageous position when it comes to judging an individual's needs while investigating his claims. The popularity of local autonomy is hotly defended when one dares to suggest that Washington could do it better.

Men engaged in agriculture which produces goods for the market may currently be assured of a II-C (Agricultural) classification. The Act states:

## Who Is Deferred

"1622.13 Class II-C. Registrant deferred because of Agricultural Occupation.—(a) In Class II-C shall be placed any registrant who is employed in the production for market of a substantial quantity of those agricultural commodities which are necessary to the maintenance of national health, safety, or interest, but only when all of the conditions described in section 1622.10 are found to exist.\*

## How Will the 1948 Selective Service Act Affect Your Farm in the Months To Come

By David Bullard '53

"(b) The production for market of a substantial quantity of agricultural commodities should be measured in terms of the average annual production per farm worker which is marketed from a local average farm of the type under consideration. The production of agricultural commodities for consumption by the worker and his family, or traded for subsistence purposes, should not be considered as production for market. Production which is in excess of that required for the subsistence of the farm families on the farm under consideration should be considered as production for the market.

## and how long

"1622.14 Length of deferments in II-C.—(a) Class II-C deferments shall be for a period of one year or less. If there is a change in the registrant's status during the period of deferment in II-C, his classification shall be reopened and considered anew."

This information should clear up questions which may be posed by the individual farm worker, but what, you may ask, about the farmer who has many men working on his larger sized operation? How can a draft board tell how many men he needs to keep production at maximum levels? During the last war this problem confronted many farmers who were struggling to produce more than ever before. The old New York State Form OF-4, which many will remember has currently been undergoing revision lists the many products from agricultural establishments, and it tells what quantity of a given item merits one "unit." There is a

\*This section states that: "(1) The registrant is, or but for a seasonal or temporary interruption would be, engaged in such activity; (2) The registrant cannot be replaced because of a shortage of persons with his qualifications or skill in such activity; and (3) The removal of the registrant would cause a material loss of effectiveness in such activity."

space for the actual amount recently produced, as well as a conversion factor which when applied permits local boards to determine readily how many of these production units a given farm has. There are so many units per worker, therefore if a farm has many units, the number of men it may retain may be calculated. Copies of the new form are available at your draft board's office.

## If the Age Goes Up

Some discussion has been heard among farmers concerning what will happen if the maximum draft age changes and goes up. That many more men will be forced to apply for II-C classifications, and probably the nature of an emergency would make getting such deferments difficult as boards generally feel that the farm will "get on somehow". Holding the line at 26 will insure a farm labor supply above that age, while at the same time persons who are eligible for service may apply for deferments and their requests may be honored if evidence is at hand to prove that the applicant has satisfied the conditions of the legislation.

## Much To Be Done

Doubtless there is a great deal which can be written about the draft and its affects on farming. It must be emphasized that prevailing international conditions, etc., will ultimately determine the eligibility of one for deferment if the Government determines that manpower is more precious to the Army than to the nation's farm community. Military and political planners, however, are wise enough to know that "an army travels on its stomach" and that "bread makes friends". These two quotations, if practiced by the Government, would go far toward assuring victory and insuring the peace.



Gilman '54

## A New Coat of Paint For the Little Brown Church

**The Rural Church Institute  
Helps Strengthen Your Churches**

By Avis Pope '54

"The Rural Church Institute strives to do for churches what the agricultural Extension Service does for farmers," explains Rev. Ralph L. Williamson, who has been the director of RCI for the past twelve years.

The Rural Church Institute was established in 1935 as the rural department of the New York State Council of Churches. It is a unique organization composed of Christian clergy and laymen who believe in Rural Church research, education, and extension. It gives service to the rural community, the ministry, and the local church.

### Operation Co-operation

Since they have the common purpose of bettering rural life, there is fine cooperation between RCI and the various farm organizations. The Agricultural Extension Service, Grange, Farm and Home Bureaus, GLF, 4-H, and Dairymen's League have all helped to promote the

CROP program, Rural Life Sunday and Harvest Festival services, Lord's Acre projects, and the Older Rural Youth organization.

### Training Programs

Many rural churches lack good leadership and so several schools and conferences are held each year to train both pastors and laymen in organizing and leading groups. Older Rural Youth conducts several workshops throughout the state to stimulate interest among the young people. Other events sponsored include the Summer School for Town and County Pastors and Laity, the Winter Training School, Lord's Acre Institutes, and Church and Family Farm Conferences.

Each summer, RCI together with the Auburn Theological Seminary holds a summer training session in rural ministry for theological students. Six weeks are spent in the Cornell University Summer Session while the students conduct or as-

sist at services in nearby churches on weekends. An additional nine weeks are provided for full time observation and practice in a rural church or larger parish in Central New York.

Another important service offered by RCI is assistance in local movements for union or federation of neighboring churches. Some communities have two to three churches, no one of which is sufficiently supported. In such a case, the RCI will help them to federate into one church which will be able to satisfy the spiritual needs of the community. One such case is a Baptist-Methodist Federation at Athens, New York. The RCI helped eight churches of three different denominations in neighboring communities form the South Jefferson Cooperative Parish in Jefferson County. Each church maintains its spiritual sovereignty as before, but in addition, it cooperates with its sister churches on monthly meetings, special programs, and employment of a full-time educational director.

### Religion On The Air

The Institute sponsors radio and television programs which reach thousands each month with a Christian rural message. More than fifty rural ministers and laymen have

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**The Countryman Presents A Guest Article**

## Memories of Guatemala

By Jose Alberto Orive

Guatemala begins at the Mexican border with a vast jungle area, where chicle tappers slash forest giants, but most of the Republic's people live in the "Altos," or Highlands, in the shadow of sleeping volcanoes. The vast jungle area, the district of Petén, stretches to the north, and lowland strips also covered by a luxurious, dense jungle, lie along both coasts. But Guatemala is essentially a mountainous land of quiescent volcanoes and lofty lakes of deep blue waters. Indian villages perch on the edge of ravines or nestle in the hollows of valleys.

### Indian Background

Guatemala is predominantly Indian. Nowhere else in the Americas have the original Americans maintained so well their pre-Columbian culture, dress and customs. Side by side with "Ladinos" (mixed Spanish and Indian), peoples of Maya descent live harmoniously in the blue-misted highlands and humid rain-forests. The ancestors of today's Guatemalan Indian, the Mayas, of the Old Empire, flourished in the hot luxuriance of the jungle area mentioned above (Petén). Beginning their vast building in Central Petén, the Mayas trekked northward through the centuries, abandoning their stone cities. No one knows for certain why; some think that farm-lands about each city became exhausted. Finally they emerged in a new burst of building and artistic splendor in the New Empire cities of Yucatan. The Mayas were a people of great attainments and strange lacks; they devised a calendar more nearly accurate than the one in use today, but had not discovered the principle of the wheel. Independently of the Arabs, they invented the zero symbol in mathematics, but were ignorant of the true arch. They

left their descendants a mass of religious-astronomical rites, many of which are still practiced.

The highlands of Guatemala have changed little in 400 years, but the Capitol, Guatemala City, has expanded immensely. Virtually surrounded by deep ravines, the city has stretched suburban tentacles out between the fissures. Old trough-shaped cobbled streets have given way to asphalted avenues, and splendid new buildings rise from colonial foundations. Though pure-blooded Indians form more than half the population of the Republic, Guatemala City is the most metropolitan capitol between Mexico and the South American mainland. High in a valley nearly 5,000 feet above sea level, the spotless city has a springlike climate the year round.

### Culture Center

In the early days of the Spanish colony, Guatemala was the seat of the captaincy general of Guatemala, which had jurisdiction over all Central America to Panama. At that time the old capitol, now called Antigua, became a miniature Florence of the New World. It became a rich, cultured center of the church, arts, and letters. To Antigua came the first printing press of Central America, in 1660. Here flourished artisans, guilds of silver and goldsmiths, wood carvers, painters, and leather-workers. But Antigua was destined to a short-life; many earthquakes shook the city until, in 1773, one demolished virtually the entire town, and three years later the Capitol moved to its present site.

### Ancient Charm

Higher (5100 ft.) and colder (60° to 80°F.) than the new city, Antigua (my hometown), has a savor that is hard to put on paper. After the last earthquake, many houses of colonial style were rebuilt among the quiet ruins of the old churches (60 of them), and these ruins have been left where they were, to attract tourists. People still live serenely in the old town that half

sleeps in the bright sunshine of the Valley of Panchoy. Wild flowers grow in cracks opened by earth tremors in the massive walls of convents and churches. Half-fallen arches frame the peaks of the volcanoes surrounding the city. Civilization hasn't touched Antigua very much; the town is quiet and very peaceful, and its commercial life centers around the tourist and coffee trades. Having an ideal climate for the latter products, Antigua is surrounded completely by coffee plantations which add a deep green color to the already picturesque environment. Anyone who has lived in or visited Antigua can not help remembering with nostalgia, the romantic attraction of this town, where time slaves nobody. Life is quiet and slow in the daytime, and everybody goes to bed at nine in the evening, leaving the city in a moon-bathed silence, occasionally broken by the bark of a dog, or the sound of serenading guitars. Occasionally too, the wind brings the rhythmic sound of "marimbas" (typical instrument), to remind you that people do have "parties" after nine o'clock.

### Earthquake Peril

Periodically the earth shudders to remind residents why their an-

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Jose

# Grab Your Gal

**Ancient French Ballroom Dance Enjoys Greatest Comeback**

**As A Corrupted American Fling . . The Square Dance**

By Marina Ivanov-Rinov '53

They talk about Gloria Swanson making a comeback, but that "ain't nothin'" to the one that square dancing has made in the last few years. It's a well known fact that this mad thing performed in a square was one of the main sources of amusement for the pioneers of this country. However, during the staid latter 1800's the whole thing was forgotten for more fashionable dances—minuets were better suited for tight corsets than the rigors of the square. But things run in cycles; in the 1940's square and folk dancing came back and now have a tighter hold than ever before. Here at Cornell there is plenty of evidence of this.

#### **Who, Where, How?**

The Cornell Folk Dancers prepare refreshments for about a hundred and fifty every Monday night. What's more, they're outgrowing the gym at the Old Armory. The kids down there ask for even more punishment. Some of them have formed an affiliation with the Cornell Outing Club for the sole purpose of doing more varied squares and perfecting them to a near professional level.

Saturday nights at Dryden are popular with the fans who have cars. A mixed crowd of college kids, farmers, and the local high school set stamp and holler for four hours in the made-over top story of Marion's garage. But don't feel bad if you don't have a car. Dryden is crowded, and there are many dances

held right here on campus. Ag-Domecon, the Grange, 4-H Club, other ag and home ec groups, and many church organizations have square dances during the term. The Straight echoes with "allamande left on your corner" on many weekends. And on March 22 of Farm and Home Week, some 2500 farm



couples and students are expected to jam Barton Hall for the annual Barn Dance.

The Rural Sociology Department has realized the ever-growing popularity of this pastime and has printed an article called "Square Dance Know How." It is a help to the shy dates who have been corralled for the peppy festivities and don't know quite what it's all about. This bulletin gives directions for the common figures to help the beginners, and hints on improving style for the more experienced

dancers. The pamphlet outlines the parts that make up the beat of the music and the speed of the dance. The change makes up the body of the dance. In this part, the same old calls are used but in such a pattern that you won't recognize them. That is what makes each dance different from the rest. The change portion of the dance is usually done by each couple in turn. Very often each couple does about the same thing that the ones before them did. Now and then you'll get a tricky caller who will momentarily throw you off by calling a different figure for the odd couples than he did for the even couples. The last part of the dance is the chorus or refrain. This is used both to close the dance and also as a rest period. Most of you are familiar with the grand right and left followed by a promenade refrain, "you know where, we don't care."

Incidentally, you may not be quite sure whom the caller means by the head couple. No matter where you are or whether the building that you are in faces North, South, East, or West, the first couple always has their back to the music. The couples then count around counterclockwise and the set is numbered.

#### **Even In The City**

And so it goes. Everyone is getting square happy. In every city, weekly groups are being set up. Many mix another dancing pastime, folk dancing, with the squares. It doesn't seem to matter how far out of the way the place is—people come and keep coming. The prime examples of that are the outdoor dances held on Central Park Mall in New York City during the summer. It is usually so crowded that a person can hardly breathe, but not many leave to go elsewhere. Even on nights when there is a threat of rain, you will find many of the usual crowd there, waiting and hoping that the night will remain fine for at least a couple of hours.

It doesn't matter what age you think you are. You too will become a square dance fan, once you've tried it.

"Third couple promenade the outside—in the moonlight, in the moonlight . . . "



—Photo Science

#### A canine patient enters the Small Animal Clinic.

Just as all medical students must serve as hospital internes, so every Cornell vet student gets first-hand practice in the small animal clinic at the College of Veterinary Medicine. Here he puts his book learning to practical use in the diagnosis of small animal diseases, in clinical methods, and in the medical care and treatment of small animals. This training helps prepare the prospective veterinarian for his role in the community.

The patients for these students are the small animals, dogs and cats, which are brought into the clinic from as far as three hundred miles away. Over 6000 cases a year come into the clinic for medical attention. Thus the clinic serves the surrounding area.

#### Sundays Too

Every senior student works under the watchful eye of a regular staff doctor for one third of each term. The remaining two-thirds of the term are spent working in the large animal surgical clinic and the large animal out-clinic. Students are at the beck and call of the doctor all day and even nights and Sundays, if needed. These students already have a superficial knowledge of the working of the clinic. During their third year, they have an orientation course in the clinic on how to make diagnoses.

The senior students perform in all phases of work in the clinic. They are confronted with many sorts of cases for diagnosis and if a

## Practical Experience for Vet School Internes

By Bobby Manchester '53

particular type of case isn't brought into the clinic, the doctors send away for it so that their students can have experience with even the rarer disorders. As Dr. H. C. Stephenson, Professor of Therapeutics and Small Animal Diseases stated, "There is a reason for everything and if something is wrong with an animal, the students must be able to find out its cause and then treat the animal accordingly." During a typical afternoon at the small animal clinic, dogs and cats were brought in with symptoms of unnatural heart beats, high temperatures, and jerking appendages. What ailed these animals? It was the students' job, with the aid of assisting doctors, to find out.

#### Scalpel Please

The students carry out minor surgical operations and assist in major surgical cases. Sometimes the regular doctors will act as the assistants and turn their operations over to the watching students. They also make bacteriological cultures, keep the wards clean, get practice in the treatment and sterilization rooms, partake in three weekly seminars,

and are ready at all times to cope with new cases and situations.

Since its establishment in 1907 by Dr. V. A. Moore, ex-dean of the Veterinary College, the clinic's reputation has steadily grown. Dr. Moore's primary purpose in establishing the clinic was to teach small animal diseases. From 1910-1947 Dr. H. J. Milks was in charge, and now Dr. E. P. Leonard heads the clinic. The clinic is staffed by four doctors, the students, a receptionist, office girls and two attendants.

#### Leader in the Field

The first clinic, now torn down, was located in back of the present building. In 1914 the present clinic was built, as the first of its kind in North America. Since that time, small animal clinics have become prominent throughout the country.

On the first floor of the clinic are the reception rooms, doctors' offices, consultation rooms, orthopedic room, and x-ray room. In the basement are six wards which can house 96 animals. These wards contain all white and completely spot-

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—Photo Science

Work with dachshund patient teaches student veterinarians examination procedure.



**Ever Hear About . . .**

## Mixing Heads and Houses?

**Cornell's Housing Research Center Plans  
Livable, Scientific Homes for You**

By Martha Jean Salzberg '51

As a future home owner, or at least as a person who will want to get as much "liveliness" as possible from his future house or apartment, your ideas on housing probably are shaped a great deal by the kinds of houses you have seen and lived in or, more precisely, by what we may term custom and tradition. Or, you may be influenced by what individual specialists such as architects, engineers, economists and sociologists believe and what they express through books and magazines, newspapers, radio, television or through some of your college courses.

### Purpose and Set-up

The purpose of Cornell's Housing Research Center is to bring together the specialists who are studying the diverse and complex problems concerned with your house and to coordinate the contributions each has to make in order to obtain well rounded housing research results. The field of housing is studied under the Center with recognition that there is a distinct overlapping among the areas of the varied specialists. The findings growing out of research projects in many instances will go out as unique combinations of the many and varied aspects of housing. All of this should permit you and other American families to be able to better appraise what you want in your future house, and know how you can get it.

The Housing Research Center was established at Cornell in October 1950. It is an independent unit within the University structure, and directed by an Executive

Committee appointed by the President of the University. This Executive Committee consists of one staff member from each of the Colleges of Architecture, Agriculture, Home Economics; the Schools of Mechanical Engineering, Industrial and Labor Relations, Business and Public Administration; and the Departments of Heat-Power Engineering and Sociology. A perusal of this list of the Divisions of the University represented on the Executive Committee gives some idea of the breadth of the Center's field of interest. Glenn H. Beyer, Professor of Housing and Design, is the Director of the Center and Thomas W. Mackesey, Acting Dean of the College of Architecture, is the Associate Director. The Center has offices in Van Rensselaer Annex.

### Cooperative Efforts

The Executive Committee establishes the general policy of the Center, reviews proposed research projects, in some instances seeks sponsors for projects, and under certain circumstances initiates projects. The Committee appoints Technical Advisory Committees to help guide the research on accepted projects. Because the membership of the Executive Committee is broad it serves to link the resources of the various colleges and departments for the purpose of undertaking sound research studies. "Coordination is the key word of the Housing Research Center," stresses Professor Beyer, the Center's Director.

In addition to aiding and guiding a program of housing research, a second objective of the Center, Pro-

fessor Beyer points out, is to act as a clearing house for housing information and published materials. The Center already has accumulated and has available for use an "extensive volume of books, pamphlets, and research reports," he reports. These materials brought together in a central location assist housing research workers and teaching personnel. And again coordination is the keyword: this "library" serves to exchange information on housing between colleges and departments, and between the University and sources of information outside the University.

### Current Projects

The work of the Center these first few months has been concentrated on setting up its organization, reviewing proposed new projects, and contacting sponsors for possible support of projects.

Housing research is not new at Cornell. Work in certain aspects has been underway in some Colleges and Departments for many years, and the Housing Research Center is closely cooperating with and giving assistance to these existing projects. One of the most extensive projects currently underway, in which the Center is cooperating, is a Northeastern farm housing project under the agricultural experiment stations of eight states in this region. In the part of this project at Cornell research in four specialized areas is brought together: household management, agricultural engineering, architecture, and social psychology. The immediate objective of this particular project is to provide aid and guidance for planning better and more convenient farm house kitchens. As indicated by the types of specialists cooperating on the project the designs which are being tested will attempt to set forth the most advanced principles which can be adapted

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## *Spool Rules---*

# For Organized Sewing

By Barbara Chamberlain '53

In many homes, sewing on a button or darning a pair of socks can be a major operation. The button is upstairs on sister's bureau, the thread downstairs in the drawer of the sewing machine, the garment to be mended in another place. By the time sewing materials have been collected, precious minutes have been wasted and many needless steps have been taken.

Organized storage of sewing materials can save the homemaker time and energy and turn a bothersome task into a quick, easy operation and even a relaxation. When needle and thread are right at hand, it is easy to get into the habit of picking up a sock to darn or a button to replace while taking a few minutes of rest during the day. Often if the homemaker has some type of portable arrangement such as a sewing screen, it is possible to do two tasks at once, such as keeping an eye on a roast in the kitchen while patching a torn garment.

### **On Display**

One of the exhibits arranged by the Economics of the Household department during Farm and Home Week is concerned with ways that the homemaker can provide storage for her sewing materials. Various ways of converting old pieces of furniture into useful sewing cabinets and ways of constructing other units will be shown in the exhibit.

It is important to remember that any organized storage, to be effective, must be suited to the individual needs of the homemaker and is, in a sense, custom tailored to her and to the task she wants to perform. It is wise to consider the situation and to plan carefully to get the most convenient arrangement. Perhaps a small portable unit would suit the needs of the person who mends only, while a fitted sewing closet containing a collapsible cutting table and ironing board would be practical for the home-

maker who does a great deal of home sewing. Some provision for knitting or crocheting materials might be desired in the sewing center.

### **Plan Ahead**

After careful consideration of needs and objectives, it is a good idea to take measurements of the objects to be stored and to plan the storage space in units designed for the particular articles. It has also been suggested that it is wise to leave room for change and improvement in the storage unit, for after the homemaker has worked for a while, she finds ways in which it might be more useful to her.

One of the easiest to make and handiest of the articles on display

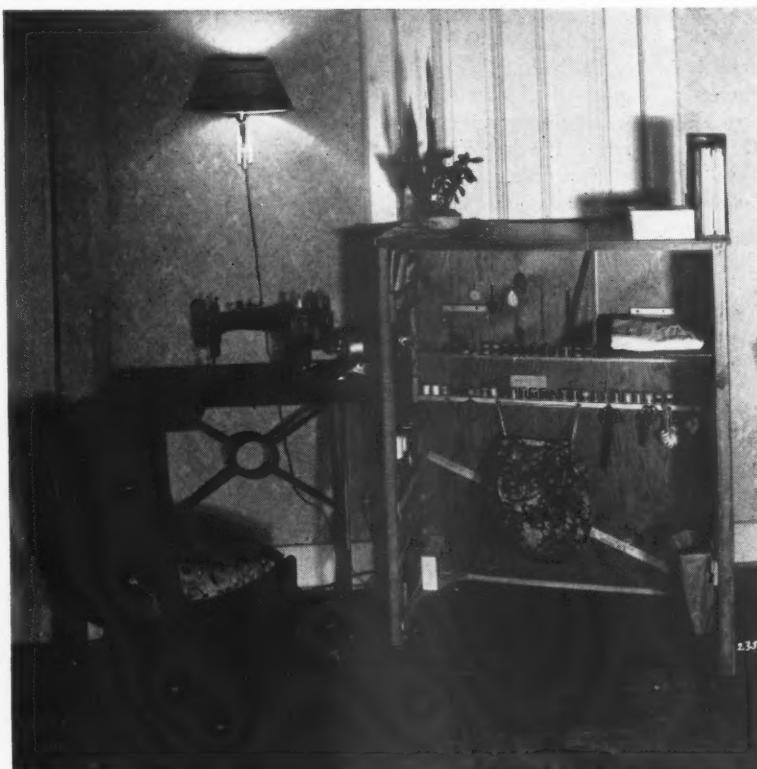
is the sewing screen or frame. It can be made any size and can readily be moved around if desired. It is easily accessible and provides an orderly arrangement of needles, thread, and the various other sewing necessities. The sewing screen can be attractively covered in plastic, leatherette or other material and lined in colorful chintz if desired.

An old radio cabinet of the floor model type, in good condition but outmoded, can be converted into an attractive and useful sewing cabinet. It could be placed near an easy chair in the living room, doubling as an end table, while providing a comfortable spot for mending. Partitions and adjustable shelves replace the discarded works of the radio and a bit of refinishing brings it up to date and makes it a handsome addition to a room.

### **Wasted Washstand**

An antique washstand of the variety found in many attics can be converted into another type of sewing cabinet with a little carpentry

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—Household Management Extension  
**Dual purpose sewing cabinet serves to store sewing materials and also to cover sewing machine when it is not in use.**

# Introducing . . .



**Martha Jean Salzberg**

Writing and journalism have been the aspirations of Martha Jean Salzberg ever since the day she won an essay contest in her high school at Bainbridge, Chenango County, New York.

Jean wants to write about home economics because she feels that there is much valuable material from industry and research centers that should reach the homemaker. With her broad training in home economics at Cornell she has the background to bring the homemaker and the information together. Her business courses at Cornell provide additional experience in the more routine duties of the journalist.

Three years on the staff of the *Countryman* have provided varied experience in Martha Jean's chosen field. Last year she worked as an associate editor, while this year she has managed the *Countryman's* home ec pages. She has been elected a member of the journalistic honorary society—Pi Delta Epsilon.

Since her sophomore year Jean has worked in the Home Ec cafeteria. Even though this has taken considerable time, she has also attended Wesley Fellowship, taken bridge lessons, and participated in the Debate Association.

This spring much of Jean's at-

tention is focused on writing for a national magazine contest whose winners will go to New York City to assist in editing one issue of the magazine.

When asked about courses and studies Jean said that students should try to become better acquainted with the departments outside their major field—avoiding over-specialization, and Jean's years here are a good example of this.

M.R.

## Brad Donahoe

"Where can I get some candy bars?" is the frequent inquiry of Brad Donahoe. His team mates on the Livestock Judging Team became familiar with this question during their trips this past term.

However, Brad has many other interests besides his craving for candy. He lives near Frankfurt, New York, on a dairy farm, which probably accounts for his interest in livestock. Besides being on the 1950 Livestock Judging Team, Brad is also participating in the Round-Up Club show during Farm and Home Week. In his sophomore year, Brad won the junior division livestock judging contest and won one of the dairy judging contests.

In his freshman year, Brad pledged Alpha Zeta and is now vice-president of the fraternity. This year as a senior, he became a

member of the senior honorary agricultural society, Ho-Nun-De-Kah, and as an additional honor, was elected secretary of it. He is also on Ag-Domecon Council and is chairman of the ticket sales committee for the Farm and Home Week dance.

Because of his outstanding scholarship and leadership ability, Brad was chosen for the Danforth Summer Fellowship. Thus, last summer he spent two weeks of study and observation in St. Louis and two weeks of leadership training at the American Youth Foundation Camp on Lake Michigan.

Brad is majoring in general agriculture. Although his plans for the future are at present undecided, he says he is interested in extension work. But with his excellent scholastic and extra-curricular record here at Cornell, he is sure to succeed in all his attempts. A.P.

## Sam MacNeil

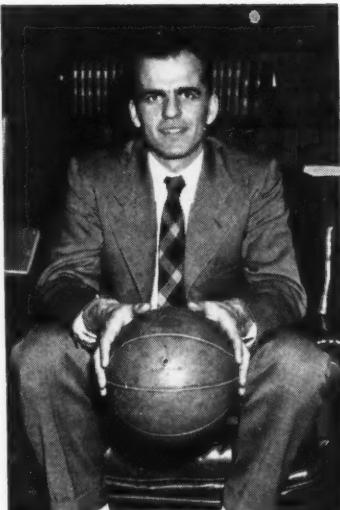
Coming from Williamsville, New York, and having just graduated from the high school there, Sam signed into the Maritime Service in 1943.

One bright day a Jap submarine torpedoed the S.S. *Antoine Saugrain*, a merchantman laden with military vehicles, out from under him off the coast of Leyte during that somewhat eventful campaign.



**Brad**

## ... Your Friends



**Sam**

Upon discharge, Sam turned into a jack-of-all-trades for a couple of years, being a house painter among other things. The call of higher education beckoned him to Buffalo State Teacher's College where, besides being an academic success, he achieved a position on that school's basketball team for a season. While all this transpired, Sam married a farmer's daughter, Georgia McGowan.

She was anxious to win her master's degree at Cornell so Sam was persuaded to take up the challenge and thus he became a student of agriculture, taking a general course, leaning towards animal husbandry, with a hope to operate his own commercial farm in the future. Roy Greene, basketball coach at Cornell, and friend of MacNeil, confided to this writer that "Sam likes his course—and talks about it!"

A senior now, Sam is playing grade number one basketball, is a member of Quill and Dagger, as well as Ho-Nun-De-Kah, is traveling thirty-two miles round-trip to school every day, and at the same time he is earning very respectable grades.

Athletics are his principal outside diversion, of course, as evidenced by his four major letters. He is a right fielder in baseball where he managed to bat over 300

last season. As a matter of fact he led in runs batted in last spring. Currently Sam is doing his best to help Cornell stay respectable in basketball circles. Greene says, "He's shown himself to be a good team player and a good set-shot—very steady."

It is unusual for a grown man of as much experience in mundane doings as MacNeil to come back to college after several years following high school graduation. He is married, he is the elder member of the basketball and baseball squads, but at the same time he has gained a respected position in campus groups.

D.B.

### **Joanne Walldorff**

To a lot of us, Joanne Walldorff and Floriculture go hand in hand. While she has many other interests, her love for flowers has been the basis of much of her work at Cornell. It was gardening that decided Jo in the Cornell College of Agriculture in the first place, as it seemed the best place to combine science with the practical side of gardening. In her first year here, she found that an elected course in Floriculture suited her interests very well, and she has kept it as a major ever since.

Two organizations have had a strong influence on Jo's life: the

4-H Club and Wesley Fellowship. Her work with 4-H started eight years before she entered college. Her projects included poultry, foods, sewing, dairy, and gardening. Foods and sewing won prizes for her at the county contests, and with sewing she went on to district and state competition. And the sale of her three Holstein cows plus the money she earned with her poultry project paid her way through her first year at Cornell!

Wesley Fellowship has been Jo's most important extracurricular activity and she has held many positions in that organization. This year some of her duties include Chairmanship of Personnel and charge of the Junior Church at the Beebe Mission project which Wesley is carrying out in downtown Ithaca. Other activities here at Cornell have included Freshman Club, 4-H Club, Grange (Lady Assistant Steward), Floriculture Club and Wayside Aftermath (President).

After she graduates from Cornell, Jo would like to attend a six weeks period of special training and serve two years mission work here in the states. Because of her 4-H and agricultural background, Jo has decided that she will be most useful in a rural community. After her two years of service she may do graduate work at the Scarritt College for Christian Workers in Nashville, Tennessee.

P.F.



**Joanne**

# Vet College Program Highlights

By Nona Sutton '55

This year, as in the past, many Farm and Home Week visitors will drop in at the Veterinary School. Some will be simply curious to see just what the clinics look like, and how the cases are handled. So, on Tuesday and Thursday, from 2:00-3:00 p.m., the Small Animal Clinic will be open and tours conducted under the direction of Drs. E. P. Leonard, and H. C. Stephenson. The Large Animal Clinic will be open from 2:00-4:00 p.m. on the same two days, and questions will be answered there by Drs. A. G. Danks, A. M. Mills, P. G. Kennedy, and F. G. Fielder.

Others, like the poultry farmers, will be able to discuss their individual problems with doctors in the Poultry Department. In Moore Laboratory, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, from 10:00-12:00 a.m. Drs. P. P. Levine, and M. C. Peckham will do poultry post-mortems. Visitors can observe the actual clinical procedure from cutting the bird open for examination, to diagnosis. From 2:00-4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, Drs. Levine and Peckham will be available for consultation, and on Wednesday afternoon they will conduct the weekly bronchitis clinic. The department has

prepared an exhibit of "What Viruses do to Chicken Embryos," and Drs. Levine and J. Fabricant will show actual chick embryos afflicted with Newcastle's disease, infectious bronchitis, and Duck Virus.

The museum in James Law Hall will be open, and on Tuesday from 12:00-1:00 p.m. Exhibits on a parasite of cattle and sheep, "The Lancet Liver Fluke in New York State," by Mr. C. R. Mapes; and "Virus Research for Animals" by Drs. J. A. Baker, J. H. Gillespie, and C. J. York will be on display in this building.

## Vet Corps Activities

Colonel Wm. E. Jennings will present two exhibits—"Veterinary Corps-U.S. Army," and "Control of Rabies." The Veterinary Corps exhibit will depict the activities of the Corps, some of which are research, inspection and processing of foods, and care and treatment of sick and injured animals. The rabies exhibit has been used throughout the country in similar farm and home weeks, and won first prize at the Annual Convention of American Veterinary Medicine Association last August. It was prepared by the Medical Illustration Service of the Armed Forces Institute of

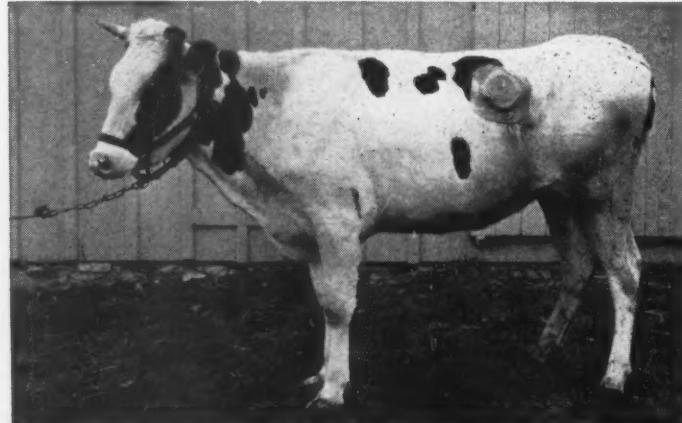
Pathology and shows the incidence of rabies in man and animals, and the common methods of transmission and control.

On Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 2:00-5:00, several exhibits in the Medicine Building should be of interest, especially to dairymen. Drs. Kenneth McEntee and S. J. Roberts will display colored photographs of the male and female reproductive tracts showing conditions which render animals sterile, and they will answer questions on sterility. Drs. Roberts, S. D. Johnson, D. T. Baker, and H. G. Hodges have prepared an exhibit on Bovine Mastitis. The display will emphasize the importance of diagnosis and prevention.

A demonstration of Hyperkeratosis (X-disease), will be shown by Dr. Peter Olafson. Although much of the work on this disease is still in experimental stages, Dr. Olafson will have a calf afflicted with the disease on display.

Wednesday and Thursday from 2:00-5:00 Drs. R. W. Dougherty and H. H. Dukes will demonstrate rumen activity with the famed "Bill"—the steer with a rumen fistula. The doctors always have a tremendous gathering when they feed Bill bolts and nuts in capsules and recover them through the opening in the paunch, and move a light around inside for all to see just how a cow "works."

So whether you'd like specific questions answered, or simply want to take a tour through the clinics, the exhibits are many and varied and will be interesting and informative to all.

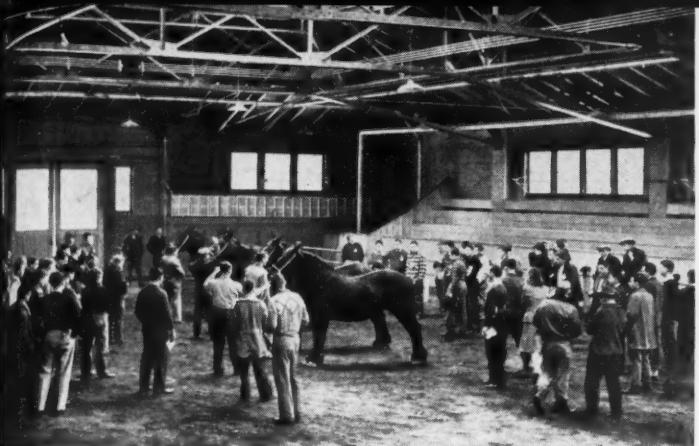


Bill—"The Steer with the Public Rumen"—will be on display during Farm and Home Week to illustrate the workings of the rumen.

## Barton Barn Dance

The big Farm and Home Week Square Dance will again be held in Barton Hall from 8:00-12:00 on Thursday, March 22nd. Floyd Woodhull and his Woodhull Boys will furnish music for four hours of fun and dancing. Two door prizes will be given and refreshments will be sold.

Last year's turnout of over 1500 people made the dance a big success. The committee in charge hopes to make this year's dance an even bigger and better affair.



Students look-over a class of horses in the Livestock Judging Pavilion.



Jack Porter introduces his Hampshire lamb to a curious Jersey heifer.

## Student Livestock Show

By Margot Pringle '53

Amid the height of Farm and Home Week hubub, the 37th annual Livestock Fitting and Showmanship Contest will take place in the judging pavillion all day Thursday, March 22. Thirteen breeds of university livestock — including dairy and beef cattle, swine, sheep, and horses—will be shown in a full program beginning at 10 o'clock in the morning. Competition is keen —this year 150 students are striving for prizes totaling \$350 in value. They have been working on their animals for well over a month by now, and it's a safe bet that more hours of preparation have gone into this show than any other event of Farm and Home Week. More than the actual ribbons and trophies, the students who win their classes on Thursday will receive a tribute to skill and plain hard work.

### Shows Change

Beginning in 1911 under the auspices of the Roundup Club, the livestock shows have had a long and colorful history. Over a thousand students have participated in fitting and showing in the past, and the numbers of those who take part have grown steadily. Many men prominent in fields of agriculture today gained valuable early experience by fitting a Belgian or a Hereford or a Holstein.

As with everything else, the shows have changed over the years. One of the feature attractions used to be a horse training contest, in which the entering student was given full charge of an unbroken

colt—and solemn responsibility for its proper education. On show day the youngsters were judged on manners and obedience, and according to a spectator of one of these classes "They would just about walk up to the judge, tip their hats and say, 'Howdy Sir'."

### Horses Decline

With the decline of the horse on farms, this event is no longer a part of the program. In fact, training has been conspicuously absent in some of the horse classes recently. Not too long ago, a student was knocked down by his charge as they entered the ring, and the show had to be halted until he picked himself up and caught her. He recovered enough to win second, in spite of it all. And just last year a coed showing a two year old Belgian had her hands full when the judge requested to see the filly's action. He got more action than he bargained for, as horse and handler vanished in a thunder of galloping hoofs. At the finish line the girl was a length or two behind, but still hanging on. She won third place—in a class of three.

### Work and Fun

Each type of animal goes through a different fitting procedure, but they have one thing in common—they take a lot of time. The dairy cows are scrubbed spotless and shown with their coats brushed to satin smoothness. The beef cattle are shown with coats curled and fluffed out, to make them look deeper and lower set. Sheep are

perhaps the hardest to fit up, since they require extra hours of trimming and washing to put their fleeces in the best condition. Horses are shown brushed to a high polish, with manes and tails braided up into intricate patterns. Hogs have the reputation for being the easiest, but you never know what a hog is going to do. They are driven rather than led, and if they take a notion to leave fast there is nothing stopping them. More than once, spectators have been enchanted at the sight of a sparkling clean pig sprinting round the pavillion at high speed, followed by an embarrassed handler.

A recent addition to the show is the Dairymaid Contest, an event of tremendous popularity which has become the star attraction of the day. Scheduled after the last regular class, it draws a huge crowd as thirty coeds match wits with the cows in a female free-for-all. Any girl who has milked before is classified an expert—those who have never milked are the novices. Each girl is given a pail, a cow, and a one legged stool—from then on it's up to her. The cows are used to machine milking, and often they resent the indignity enough to send pail and contents flying. The race is on for two minutes, after which the milk is weighed. Last year's contest was complete with guitarists who serenaded the cows, and a football star who was roped into the contest at the last minute. After a harrowing two minutes, he had nothing in his pail but a few drops of perspiration. The winning milkmaid netted well over five pounds—a good showing in any company!

The Student Livestock Show is

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# The Ag Campus Speaks Out

## Stage Contests

Thirteen students from the College of Agriculture and seven students from the College of Home Economics are finalists in the Rice Debate Stage, the Eastman Stage for Public Speaking and the Elsie Van Buren Rice Public Speaking Stage. These three public speaking contests will be held during Farm and Home Week at Cornell.

Those selected as finalists in the Rice Debate Stage are Robert Dickinson '52, Lawrence Specht '51, Richard Redmond '51, and Frank Trerise '51. Alternates are John Crager '52 and Peter Shuster '52.

The topic which will be debated is, Resolved: That the government of the United States shall, in the event of a major war, establish a system of total mobilization of man power and material.

Participants in the Eastman Speaking Contest are Harold Alexander '52, Charles Dodson '52, Robert Feasley '54, Arthur Ives '51, Richard Lacy '52 and Hugh Robotham '51. The alternate is George Payne '52.

The students from Home Economics are represented in the Elsie Van Buren Rice Public Speaking



Eastman Stage, left to right: H. E. Alexander '52, R. R. Lacy '51, R. W. Feasley '54, C. L. Dodson '52, H. C. Robotham '51, A. P. Ives '51.

Stage. The girls competing are Lorina Smith '53, Felice Bernstein '53, Elaine Rose '52, Elizabeth Lightfoot '52, Elizabeth Dean '54 and Frances Kekargo '51. Gertrude Serby '52 is the alternate speaker.

Awards totaling three hundred and seventy-five dollars will be distributed among the first and second place contestants in all three of the contests.

The purpose of these speaking contests is to develop qualities of personal leadership and ability in public speaking for students. An annual feature, these contests are one of the major features of Farm and Home Week.



Rice Debate Stage, left to right: Richard Redmond '51, Francis Trerise '51, Lawrence Specht '51, and Robert Dickinson Sp.

## A Full College In Sept. '51

"My personal opinion is that we will have a good sized enrollment in the fall of 1951. I do not believe that the military authorities will raid the colleges this summer to the extent that some have feared," said Professor A. W. Gibson, Director of Resident Instruction.

In September 1950 there were 1669 students enrolled in the College of Agriculture. At the beginning of the spring term there were 1492, a drop of about 10 percent as compared with last year's decrease of between six and seven percent. Seventy-six seniors were graduated in February and twenty-three students were dropped for academic reasons. Although a few more than the usual number have dropped out, they have not been many. Some have gone into the armed forces, while others are working on farms.

At the present time it is impossible to obtain facts on the outlook for next fall. In any year information of this type would not be available at this time. This year, because of unsure conditions, those in the office of resident instruction find it especially difficult to venture a guess. As for those students already enrolled, many are in the

ROTC program which will enable them to graduate. Professor Gibson also said, "I do not believe that plans will be worked out so that large numbers of our students will have their education interfered with this fall. If it develops that way, I am sure that it is good advice to stay in college if possible."

It is no less difficult to predict how many of this year's graduates will go directly into farming. Last June 24 percent of the graduating class went directly into farming, as compared to a 13 percent average from 1931 to 1940. Of last spring's 24 percent, 37 were farm reared and eleven had some farm experience. Two-thirds of the total number returned to the home farm. The number of graduates taking farm jobs this spring will depend upon several factors—the graduates themselves, the number of jobs open, the type of employment, and this year, on the armed forces.

## 52,000 4-H'ers Review Work of 1950

Reviewing accomplishments of the past year and planning their part in the nation's defense mobilization program highlighted this year's observance of National 4-H Club Week, March 3 to 11, by New York's 4-H clubs. Approximately 52,000 club members took part in an "open house" program designed to acquaint the public with their plans for the future under the theme of "Working Together for World Understanding."

Professor Albert Hoefer, State 4-H Club leader, said that club members will give increased attention this year to projects serving the nation's emergency effort. They will aim to increase the production and preservation of food, practice good citizenship by engaging in community activities and salvage drives, prepare for emergencies by learning first aid and home nursing, take good care of farm machinery and equipment, and help less fortunate peoples in other lands.

"The record of the past year has been one of real accomplishment," said Professor Hoefer. More than

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## COUNTRYMAN ANNOUNCES CONTEST WINNER

The *Countryman* is happy to announce the winner of its contest. Mr. Frank M. Bartram '19, of Kennett Square, Pa., is awarded a two-year subscription for being the first to identify the following quote, inscribed over the main entrance of Warren Hall:

Never yet share of Truth was  
vainly set

In the world's wide fallow;  
After hands shall sow the seed,  
After hands from hill and  
mead  
Reap the harvest yellow.

This quotation is from Barclay of Ury, one of Whittier's narrative poems.

The hero of Whittier's poem was Barclay, a brave and capable soldier who was laird of the estate of Ury, located near Aberdeen, Scotland. After returning from the European wars, Barclay embraced the belief of the Friends and for so doing was ostracized by his former associates and severely persecuted by the citizens of Aberdeen.

In this verse, Whittier comments on the courageous and dignified manner in which Barclay supported the principles of Truth in which he believed and his feeling that others would carry on the good work which he had started.

## Want To Go To England?

A young English farmer would like to change countries with you for a few months. To a well-qualified farm boy, this would be a real opportunity. The details are to be worked out through correspondence. Contact the *Countryman* to obtain available information.

## Ag Eng Club News

Assistant Professor Donald Bates was guest speaker at the meeting of the Ag Engineering Club held in Stocking 218 on February 28. In line with the topic of the term, Professor Bates spoke on farm structures. He stressed that each building should have a good foundation and showed slides illustrating this point.

## Library Opening Delayed

We all remember when the excavators started to remove the hill and parking lot at the far end of the ag quad. Then, by Farm and Home Week, a skeleton of orange beams was "reared against the arch of heaven." Now, a year later, our partially finished library, to be named after the late Dean Albert R. Mann, has risen out of "that hole in the ground."

When can we move in? Though work is progressing satisfactorily, the original opening date of October 1951 has been set ahead due to several delays. A masons' strike in this area halted construction last spring. Another strike in the cement plants caused further delay.

The work seems to be in a calm to casual sidewalk superintendents, who used to take time off from studies to watch the riveters, cranes, and dozers. But there is much activity within the walls. Partitions begin to outline the many class and reference rooms and offices. Stacks, taking 80,000 feet of space, are nearing completion.

With work going in this direction most of us can look forward to many hours of study in this building before our graduation. It makes us pretty proud to have this structure on our campus.

# AG-TIVITIES

## Ag Agents

"Almost everything the public says about the Extension Service in general will directly affect you, for informed public opinion is the basis of state and county legislation and policies," said W. B. Ward, head of the Department of Extension Teaching and Information, in an address before the Ag Agents Club at their February meeting.

"One of the biggest problems of good public relations is bridging the gap between farmers and consumers," asserted Professor Ward. Bridging this gap, he maintained, is best accomplished by getting the full facts to people "clearly, accurately, and quickly" through such media as press and radio.

James M. Sleight '52 was elected president of the Club. He succeeds Homer J. Sands '51. Also elected were vice-president Conrad Oliven '53, who follows Barry Rogenmoser '51, and James A. Hole '53 succeeds Victor H. Bitter '52 as secretary-treasurer.

On the new program committee are William R. Fitzgerald '53, James A. Hole '53, George A. Huegler '53, and Donald C. Huntington '52. Professor E. K. Hanks of the Extension Service is the club's advisor.

## Ho-Nun-De-Kah

Plans for the Junior Smoker and Initiation were made at the February meeting of Ho-Nun-De-Kah. The smoker is scheduled for April 24, and the initiation and banquet for the 2nd week in May.

During Farm and Home Week, members of Ho-Nun-De-Kah will usher at the Rice Debate and Eastman Stage speaking contests, a regular activity for the organization during this week.

At the close of the meeting, Prof. Anderson of the Rural Sociology Department spoke on Formosa and some of the occurrences in the Far East. Prof. Anderson has just returned from Formosa, where he spent four months, working for the ECA.

## Pre-Vet Students Organize Club

Cornell is noted, among other things, for its School of Veterinary Medicine. However, little notice has been taken of the many pre-veterinary students on campus. In order to compensate for this lack, a group of interested students have organized the Cornell Pre-Veterinary Society. The organization, which met for the first time last month, is open to all interested students.

The purpose of the society is to provide information about the various fields and opportunities of veterinary medicine. It will also attempt to give students an insight into related fields of interest if they are not successful in obtaining their original goal. A lecture program is being planned which will provide qualified speakers on these topics.

## Pomology Club

During Farm and Home Week the Pomology Club will sponsor a quiz and contest based on types and varieties of fruits. The contest will be open to all F.F.A. and 4-H members who are not college students. Competition will be held in an individual class as well as in a class of three man teams representing various high schools. Prizes of \$2.00 and \$1.00 for 1st and 2nd places respectively will be offered in each class. The contest will be held in Plant Science 109.

Also during Farm and Home Week, an apple selling booth will be operated by the Pomology Club in Plant Science 109.

Club members are planning a dance and social evening to be held some time in April. The dance will feature games and round and square dancing. The public is invited to attend the evening of fun.

April 3rd the Pomology Club will hold its next meeting, featuring Professor H. S. Tyler, who will speak on "Jobs and Work Available to Students After Graduation." An election of officers will be held at this meeting.

## Poultry Club

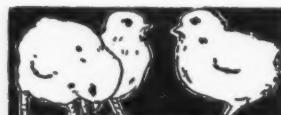
"I'm not too concerned about the one or two-man farms going out of the picture. The efficient operator will take care of himself," said Professor J. H. Bruckner at a panel discussion at the February Poultry Club meeting.

Also Professors L. B. Darrah and L. M. Hurd were on the panel, which dealt with ways in which the small poultry farmer can increase his efficiency in order to compete with commercial plants.

Family flocks of 10 to 40 birds "are going out," according to Professor Darrah, but 300 to 2000-bird flocks "are a very important group."

Drawing efficiency curves, the economics professor illustrated the number of birds one man can handle. Citing a different kind of efficiency, he "investigated one farm where the owner had 45,000 layers. They employed one man just to carry the dead birds out."

Professor Hurd, speaking on engineering as it applies to the poultry industry, stressed proper planning in new construction and the installation of automatic water fountains, complete with waste disposal and protected against freezing by soil heating cables. By studying farms in operation, he has found that



many man hours are wasted because farmers retrace their steps too many times in completing one task.

Explaining that the average poultry farm has to be a family affair to be successful, Professor Bruckner related how "Jimmie Rice always opened his poultry management courses with a few lectures on how to select a wife."

The Poultry Club will help the department during Farm and Home Week and is also planning an exhibit of its own, with special emphasis on appeal to 4-H and FFA visitors.

## 4-H Club

The 4-H Club started off the new term with an overnight at Mount Pleasant. About thirty members attended. Various discussion periods were held and everyone enjoyed the tray-sliding, tobogganing, games, and square dancing.

At the February 28th meeting, John Lennox, Ass't State 4-H Club Leader, spoke to us on "Summer Positions" and a delegation of Syracuse University 4-H'er's were present to observe our meeting. Since Miss Summerfield is leaving, Miss Martha Leighton has consented to be the new advisor.

## F.F.A.

At its February meeting, the Collegiate Chapter of the F.F.A. made final plans for its Farm and Home Week activities. Directing traffic will occupy most of the F.F.A.'s time, as it has during Farm and Home Weeks of recent years.

Many plans were made for the future. Upon request of the Homer F.F.A., a degree team was delegated to go to Homer on the 15th of March to confer the Green Hand Degree on a group of initiates. It was announced that Mr. Stephen Salmon, president of the Vestal Central School and founder of the Future Farmers in New York State, would speak at the April meeting.

After the meeting, Joe Davis, Clint Seefelt, and Frank Grasberger gave talks on their experiences while practice teaching last fall.

## Ag-Domecon

Several new faces were seen at the first February meeting of the Ag-Domecon Council. George Bull '51, Helen Corbin '52, J. C. Huttar '51, and Margot Pringle '53 replaced the members graduating in February. Derl Derr was elected vice-president to fill the unexpired term of Dick Darley.

The council accepted the report of the rules committee favoring the establishment of a student-faculty committee for the College of Agriculture. The purpose of such a committee is to act as a channel for mutual exchange of opinion and information between the students and faculty and to serve as a means of

cooperation on problems of common interest. The committee will consist of three faculty members and three students; one from Ag-Domecon, one elected by Ho-Nun-De-Kah, and one elected at large from the student body at the time of the Ag Domecon Elections in the spring. The committee would discuss such things as a revision of the catalogue to provide better course descriptions, an All-Ag Day, and college recognition of the judging teams.

Planned for Farm and Home Week is a panel "Problems of Interest to the Incoming Freshman." This panel will discuss such problems as money, activities, scholarship and topics of interest to the incoming frosh.

## Kermis

Martha Van Rensselaer would doubtless be tickled to death should she know that during Farm and Home Week Kermis plans to overrun her namesake to put on its annual spring show. This year the society plans to perform *Gone Are the Days*, an original minstrel show. The script was prepared by Cornellians, and the music was especially written by Stephen Foster a few years ago.

Black-face, speckled vests, and broad smiles will be the motif of the occasion. Bart Hayward, director, announced that this type of show is a new departure for Kermis, but that everyone is nevertheless convinced of its ability to become a success.

The chorus comprises twenty-four sparkling voices. End-men, interlocutor, and many others believe that this season's show will be a drawing card for a successful week.

## Horse Show Coming

The Cornell Saddle Club will sponsor a horse show Sunday, April 15, at the ROTC Riding Hall.

Show types will include open jumping, hunting, western riding, hacking, and equitation. Equitation is open in three classes: six and under, seven to thirteen, and fourteen and over. There will be ribbons or trophies for all classes. Entry fees will not exceed \$1.00. The Show will benefit the building fund of the S.P.C.A.

## Conservation Club

The Cornell Conservation Club is a newly formed undergraduate organization with open membership for students interested in all aspects of conservation. It is designed as a medium for the exchange of ideas among conservation students and to allow them to work together on problems of a research and educational nature. As yet, no officers have been elected, but Bob Wagner '51 is now temporary chairman.

As part of its research program the club has initiated a series of annual winter waterfowl censuses of the Finger Lakes Region. On Sunday, February 11, forty-three observers recorded 8800 ducks of 19 species. Plans for the Spring term include both faculty and student speakers.

## Home Ec Club

The Home Ec Club's annual Cherry Pie Contest will be held on Friday, April 6, at 8 p.m. in the Martha Van Auditorium. Contest entry blanks are up in Roberts Hall, Martha Van, and Statler Hall. The pies are to be baked in the Food and Nutrition labs on Friday afternoon before the judging at the dance. First and second prizes will be awarded. Refreshments will be sold and Bug's Shubert's orchestra will lead the square dancing.

## Agronomy Club

The color movie, "Our Changing World" attracted a large audience at the club's open meeting on February 20th. Noteworthy were the time lapse photographs of flowering and budding plants and the striking animated drawings of the earth's history.

On February 8th, John Halpin spoke with color slide illustrations on the agriculture of Greece. The destruction of the recent civil war and the backward condition of their agriculture were vividly shown. Having served on the Near East Commission, Mr. Halpin worked in Greece with their efforts to improve Greek dairy livestock by artificial insemination.



# FORMER STUDENT NOTES

1936

*Major Thomas E. Bennett*, a professional soldier since his graduation is now stationed in Korea as regimental adviser to the Sixth ROK division. The Military Advisory group of which he is a member has been awarded the Presidential Citation by Korea's President Syngman Rhee and was twice commended by high-ranking American officers.

1943

*Anthony LaScala* has recently been made manager of the Mueller Foods Company plant in Newark, N. J. Anthony has been running the home farm onion business for the past few years at Middletown, Orange County.

1950

*Henry Bokman* has returned from Cuba, where he was working for the Miller Pickle Company. He has a new job now—working for the U. S. Army.

*Bob Clauson*, former member of the Countryman staff, has reactivated the agriculture department at Ovid Central School and is teaching agriculture there.

*Claire Ferguson* has taken a job as herdsman, or should we say heardswoman, on a Guernsey farm in Massachusetts.

In Home Ec, a number of girls have gone into the merchandising field.

*Ollie Myslichuk* is working for the Executive Training Program of Bonwit Teller in New York City.

*Helen Cudworth* and *Monica Semenek* are on the executive training squad for the Neiman Marcus Company of Dallas, Texas.

*Jane Merry* is working in Madison County as Assistant 4-H Club Agent.

Coming back to Ag, *Lester Howard*, better known as Let, is the Assistant County Agricultural Agent in Livingston County. He

recently married Pat Faulkner from Northport, L. I., secretary in the plant breeding department.

1951

Our new crop of February graduates have not waited around too long before accepting jobs. *Dan Barnhart* has gone into partnership with his dad at home, as have *Wilson Lain*, *Chuck Taylor*, and *Donald Youmans*. In addition, our other farmers include *Bill Duffield*, who is managing a fruit farm at Plattsburgh and *Joe Miller*, who will be working on the Aberdeen Angus farm of C. B. Whitney, Westbury, Long Island.

A number of graduates have decided to go into the business end of agriculture. *John Robson* has returned to the seed business at Hall. *John Olney* is working in the family food processing plant at Westerville, while *Don Briggs* has gone into partnership with his dad in the retail appliance store at Kingston. *John Sherinian* has a position with Safeway Stores of Mt. Vernon, and *Jim Laing* is located with American Stores, near Syracuse.

In the farm machinery field, we

find *Don Anthony*, who is a trainee with International Harvester at Albany. *Henry Blewer* is field man for the Seaman Rotary Tiller Company at Owego.

*Pete Knapp* has a sizable area to cover as district agriculture engineer for Tompkins, Schuyler, Chemung, Seneca, Yates and Steuben Counties.

*Charles Clark* and *Harold "Mike" Gould* are both working for GLF. Charlie is located with the petroleum division at Sherburne, while Mike is with the service store at Attica.

*Fred Dyroff* is a designer in a retail flower shop. *John Grandy* is back in Norfolk, Va., working in the family florist business there.

Several graduates have decided to go on with their education immediately. *Dick Darley* is doing graduate work in agricultural economics at the University of Missouri. *Judith Deamont* is doing work in botany here, at Cornell. *Ed Ryder*, former editor of the Countryman, has an assistantship in plant breeding at the University of California at Davis.

In home economics, *Rosemary Kohut* is working with hospitalized children in the Play School of Johns Hopkins at Baltimore, Md.

*Barbara Hai* has gone into merchandising work. Barbara is on the training squad of Fox's, at Hartford, Conn.

Well, this is all the news for the month. See you in the next issue of the Countryman.



H. Pringle '53

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# Marks, Movies, and Money-- What Does The Campus Say?

By Ester Church '53 and Marcia Wright '53

Do you realize that 52 percent of the professors at Cornell are considered good teachers? At least this is what the Ag Ec 111 class under the guidance of Professor Quentin M. West discovered in their annual poll on items of current interest.

Questions covering college, national and international affairs were asked of 683 students chosen by a random selection. Close representation of the students in attendance in the various colleges was determined by this method. I.B.M. sorters and tabulators were used to assemble the data for final analysis.

Because grades are an ever-occurring issue with students, much of the emphasis of the study was placed on averages. Graduate students, special students, and five

year students maintained the highest collective average of 83.2 while the freshman low was 77.7. From the freshman year average grades increased to 78.9 in the junior year and again dropped slightly in the senior year. Different colleges maintained varying averages corresponding to the number of study hours. Engineers maintained the lowest average although they studied 27 hours. Agriculture has an average of 77.5 while they spend only 20.6 hours a week in study. Graduate students spend 28 hours a week in study and are rewarded by maintaining the highest average of 84.4.

Two may not be able to live as cheaply as one, but two heads are certainly better than one. Polls proved that the average grade for married women was 85.4 while the

average for single women was 79.4. Married men maintained an average of 81.5 while their blissful bachelor brothers totaled only 78.1. One reason for the difference may be that married people find their entertainment at home.

Movies, however, as a form of entertainment do not appear to affect the average grades of Cornellians. The average number of movies attended per month was 3.5. Average grades received by these movie-goers was 79.1 as compared to the University average of 79.3.

Although movies may not have an effect upon the grades, the social life of fraternities does. About 49 per cent of the total student body is composed of fraternity men and these men receive 1.5 per cent lower averages than do non-fraternity men.

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By Rhodalee Krause '54

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These bulletins, dating back to 1888, are of eight categories—the oldest being the experiment station reports. These bulletins reported in readable fashion the research which took place at the University experiment station.

The extension bulletins, originat-

ing in 1916, are the most frequently requested pieces of literature. Other types of bulletins include the experiment station memoirs containing extremely technical information, the rural school leaflets—interpreting nature study for rural children; and the 4-H club bulletins, which are closely allied with 4-H club projects.

Who reads all these bulletins? Although primarily intended as a service to New York State residents, thousands of readers all over the United States and in foreign countries benefit from the helpful information provided in these bulletins. A foreign exchange is carried on with 814 institutions. There are 635 libraries in New York State and 268 libraries outside the State

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## Slips in the Press

### Right or left?

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—Senate Record

### All fore it!

A college freshman met one of his instructors and asked, "What's your guess about Saturday's game? You don't think we'll do badly, do you?"

"Don't you mean 'badly'?" inquired the professor.

"What's the difference?" said the frosh, "you know what I mean."

"An 'ly' can make quite a difference," persisted the professor. Pointing to a shapely coed he explained, "For instance, it makes a difference whether you look at her sternly,—or at her stern."

—“See” man's Handbook

### Strawberry is winning!

Overheard on a Madison Avenue bus: "He's been quite sick. He has that disease—I've forgotten the name, where the red popsicles eat up the white popsicles."

—Travel

### Cheap?

A woman in a grocery store was shocked by the high price of apples. "They're high all right, ma'am," said the clerk, "But that's because they're so scarce."

"Why," protested the woman, just this morning I read in the paper that there was such a bumper crop of apples that they're rotting on the trees."

"That's just it, ma'am," the clerk replied. "That's why they're scarce. It doesn't pay to pick them."

—U.S.D.A. Economic Report

### Be patient, they still have to catch it

Man at restaurant table to waiter: "What's my offense? I've been on bread and water for two hours."

—Malnutrition Monthly

### Very seldom, thank Heaven

One housewife to another, over back fence: "I got to thinking yesterday. You know, the way you do when the radio's broken."

—Kitchen Connoisseur

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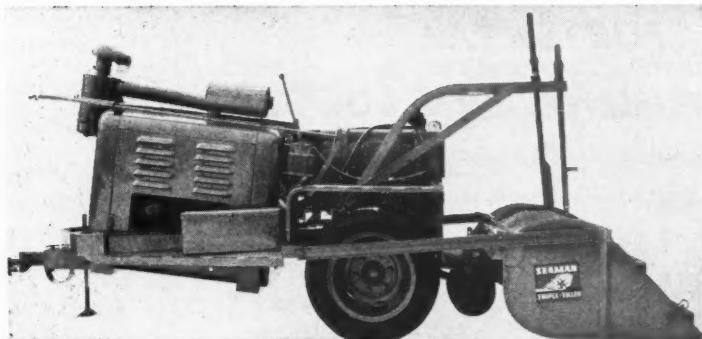
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### Statistics

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groups expect between three and four thousand dollars and both expect the income to double in 10 years. Until they are capable of earning these salaries, 40 per cent of Cornell men are supported by their parents and 27 per cent are supported by their parents and by their own efforts in part time work.

Another field of interest covered by the poll is politics. Forty-one per cent of Cornell students have Republican preferences; 24 per cent have Democratic preferences and 23 per cent are as yet undecided. Military training for 18 year-olds is advocated by 76 per cent of the student populus. Twenty-six per cent are opposed to any type of Universal Military Training at all. Still along the political lines the poll discovered that 74 per cent of the students were in favor of economic aid to Europe although only 56 per cent felt that such aid would be effective in stopping the spread of communism. Forty-three per cent of the students felt that war with Russia was inevitable.

Almost everything from the color of the socks you wear on Tuesday to the grave political issues of the day have been compiled into what our contemporaries call vital statistics.

### Slips In The Press

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#### Quite Clear

Sign over a television set in a Hollywood bar: "When the screen doesn't look blurred any more, you've had too much to drink."

—Los Angeles Star

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#### Too learned!

A young college student remarked to his date, "That's 'Pink Lightning' lipstick you're wearing, isn't it?"

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—Electrician's Journal, April

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## Small Animal Clinic

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sites, forty per cent surgical operations and thirty per cent treatment for infectious diseases. There are also about 500 spay cases a year for both dogs and cats.

About twenty per cent of the clinic's work is for research. Some of the projects worked on are: worming of puppies, reasons for posterior paralysis, blood substitutes for shock, external parasites, and the use of new drugs and methods.

Even though the clinic operates without state aid, the fees are usually less than those charged by a general practitioner. The small

animal clinic is doing a fine job with its dual role—furnishing practice for veterinary students, and performing a service for the community.

## 4-H Clubs

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17,000 boys and girls engaged in food preparation and clothing projects. An increase of 2,085 in acres gardened was achieved by more than 15,000 members, while 6000 others reared and cared for 317,958 poultry. Club members carried on projects with dairy animals, canning, home grounds beautification and conservation. More than 4700 persons willingly gave their time the past year to lead the 2700 local 4-H clubs.

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Antibiotics may be a valuable addition to poultry feeds, but they won't make a good ration out of a poor one, a Cornell scientist says.

At present, says Prof. F. W. Hill of the Cornell University Agricultural Experiment Station, there is no evidence that antibiotics will replace any known or suspected nutrients. Best results in feeding experiments have been obtained when antibiotics were added to complete rations containing high quality materials.

The drugs, which include penicillin, terramycin, aureomycin, and bacitracin, step up the growth rate of chicks by as much as 10 per cent and have an even greater effect on turkey pouls. Research shows that this stimulation disappears by the time the chicks are 16 weeks old. The effect is also less as turkeys get older. There is no evidence that antibiotics increase egg production or hatchability, the poultry scientist states.

More research will be needed to find out just what makes antibiotics so effective in stimulating growth, Professor Hill says. He points out that feed manufacturers must use rule-of-thumb guides in deciding the amount of the drugs to use. At present as much as ten grams are added to each ton of finished feed, but research shows that as little as five grams may sometimes do the job.

**Correction Please**

The *Countryman* regrets having made an error in reporting one of the recent Grange meetings. The group did *not* reach the conclusion that 18 year olds are not mature enough to vote in their discussion.

**Coed?**

One sweet young thing to another: "I like the outdoor type of fellow—the kind who has a nice convertible."

—*Wellsley News*

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—*Mills on the floss*

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## Spool Rules

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and a few strokes of a paint brush. The model on display has a top drawer which has been sectioned off into spaces for small items. One shelf occupies the upper third of the bottom part leaving the lower part for larger items such as an iron and pressing pads.

### Even Steamer Trunks

An old steamer trunk can provide excellent storage space and can be used in many ways according to the needs of the homemaker. Horizontally sliding shelves which could be moved from one side of the trunk to the other could provide units for storing small items while giving access to the bottom of the trunk where large articles might be kept. Perhaps a shelf extending across the whole top of the trunk might be used, leaving the bottom section for dead storage, seasonal clothes storage, or dresses to be repaired or remodeled at a future date.

A plywood cabinet can be very effective as a work center and storage place. One can be made in which a sewing machine can be placed with shelves around it where materials can be kept. This makes an attractive disguise for an outmoded machine as well as providing a place to keep equipment together. This same idea can be used to store a washing machine, with shelves for soaps rather than sewing materials.

### Use A Closet

For the woman who does a great deal of home sewing, a closet fitted with her equipment would be an asset. A wardrobe or an unused closet could be converted into a sewing center. It is possible to make a collapsible cutting table which is attached to the door of the closet and unfolds when needed. An ironing board, dressform and such large articles could stand at the back of the closet while drawers and sliding shelves provide storage space for thread, scissors and small articles.

There are various ways of organizing a sewing center. These are a few ideas that have been successfully carried out, but the main objective is to have a convenient arrangement for home sewing which

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3. How much profit did Armour and Company make on each pound of meat sold in the 1950 fiscal year?  
 17¢    1.7¢    0.17¢
4. How many meat packers are there in the United States?  
 40    400    4,000

### Answers

1. Depending on weight and grade, Armour and Company gets as many as 75 different cuts and kinds of beef from a single carcass.
2. The average beef steer has a dressing percentage of about 55%.
3. In 1950, Armour and Company made 0.17 of one cent on each pound of meat sold.
4. Armour and Company is one of 4,000 meat packing companies in the United States.

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## **Guatemala**

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cestors left the city. When I was last in Antigua (1949), Fuego Volcano, always steaming, began to thunder and spill incandescent lava from its yellow-stained mouth, and violent explosions blew away part of the crater wall. In spite of all this, old bells are the true voice of Antigua. Belfries of ruined churches speak in cracked, thin voices, or deep, booming tones. Nearly everywhere you hear moving, murmuring water; it falls into deep basins with distinct notes as musical as glass bells and rushes through open conduits with a susurru, as of wind in the pines above the city.

### **Chicle and Citronella**

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## Mastitis Control

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can be accomplished.

When asked what seems to be the most important factor in mastitis control, Dr. M. G. Fincher of the Veterinary College, who directs the program, said, "Environmental conditions probably have more effect on the percentage of mastitis infection than anything else." It is through programs of improved sanitation and management that the greatest progress in control has taken place. Many farms practice these measures of prevention as a routine, but a lot more of them don't—and it is invariably the dairymen that "just don't bother" who have the most trouble on their hands.

Detailed literature on how to manage mastitis in your herd is available free of charge from the Veterinary College. Here are a few quick tips:

1. Fast milking and proper use of machines—this includes stimulation for let-down before milking by the use of hot, wet, antiseptic

cloths, washing the udder, adjusting machines at the proper vacuum for efficient milking, and removal of the machine as soon as a cow is milked out.

2. Dipping of teats in antiseptic solution after milking and disinfecting teat-cups of the machine between cows by rinsing in water and then in antiseptic solution.

3. Use of extra bedding in order to avoid udder injuries from hard floors and drafts.

4. Provide clean, dry conditions in barns, barnyards, and lanes to cut down the breeding places of mastitis germs.

5. Checking of udder condition, use of strip cups, and consultation of a veterinarian at the first sign of trouble.

6. In troublesome cases, cut down the protein percentage fed in the grain mixture.

Although there are a number of other practices endorsed by the program, these are apparently the most important and the most progress against mastitis has been made in herds which follow them faithfully.

The mastitis control program has come a long way since its initiation in 1946—continued expansion and work with more herds each year have given the field staffs as much work as they can handle. Up to June 30 of 1950, over 140 thousand examinations had been made. If this had meant one examination per cow, it would have covered better than ten percent of the cows in the state! To say that the field boys are busy is a masterpiece of understatement.

But they have a big job and a long way to go. An ounce of prevention is worth about a ton of cure in mastitis control, and there is still a lot of teaching to be done on how to keep the udder bugs under control. As more cows are examined and treated for mastitis, and more farmers become familiar with the whys and wherefores of sanitation, cases are bound to decrease.

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## Guatemala

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in various universities such as, University of California at Davis, California, University of Minnesota, Cornell, Louisiana State University and others.

Realizing the importance of agriculture and animal husbandry to Guatemala, the U.S.A. sent as its ambassador to the Republic, Edwin J. Kyle, former Dean of the School of Agriculture of Texas Agricultural and Mechanical College. Mr. Kyle arranged visits between agricultural experts of both countries. Students come from Guatemala to the United States on scholarships to study farming and cattle breeding.

### U. S. Experiment Stations

The United States maintains in Guatemala several experimental plantations, under the control of the "Guatemalan-American Institute for Agricultural Development," which has among the members of its staff several American experts, like Dr. Charles Simmons, well-known in the Agronomy Department of Cornell and Dr. H. Muller, also a Cornell graduate.

Guatemala today furnishes living proof that white settling in the New World did not inevitably mean extermination of the native Indian and that the two races and cultures can exist side by side in peace. Life is becoming very commercialized, because of the tremendous tourist trade, but in my prejudiced opinion, Guatemala is still one of the few heavens on Earth, where nobody rushes, and everyone has as his prime purpose—the enjoyment of life.

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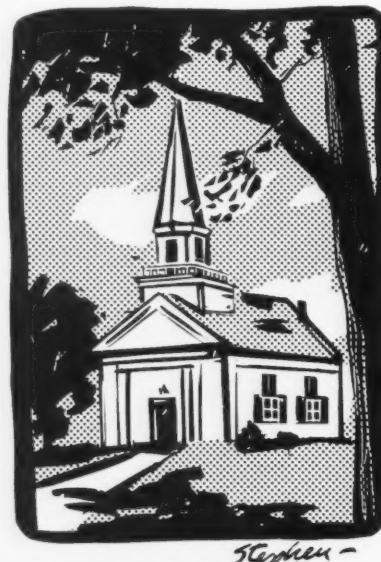
been trained to plan and present these programs. The RCI pioneered in rural church television in 1946 with "The Angelus".

In 1949, an exhibit was shown at the New York State Fair and was so successful that it was continued in 1950. Many people were attracted to the replica of a green and white country church which was built in the Horticultural Hall. Within the little church were a small projection room and tables on which was literature concerning the work of the RCI.

### **School for Choirs**

This summer the Institute is sponsoring a choir director's training school at Cornell. Throughout the year, rural choirs can obtain help from the Choir Bulletin which is edited by Mrs. Alice Bartlett. There is also a lending library of choir music from which rural churches may borrow.

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## Elections

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### Poor Turnout

Last year only 616 Ag students came across out of approximately 1700 registered. Granted, a lot of people forgot about the whole thing. A lot of people lost their registration coupons at the last minute, or left them home in a drawer on election day. A lot more just didn't bother. And it has happened other places besides Cornell. Town and county governments complain that they get a small percentage of the voting population to the polls. And in the last presidential election, only about 49 out of 100 people who were eligible to vote found time to tear themselves away for an hour to exercise a right which in the past seven months over 5,000-8,000 American men have died for.

The national vote used to be well over 80 per cent back in 1800, when the memory of other kinds of government was a little stronger. Maybe we are taking too much for granted by now. Traditional free-

dom doesn't mean much, if nobody bothers to use it. And this applies to us at college as much as it does anywhere else.

We are the so-called College Youth—"future leaders of our communities." We are getting an excellent technical education here, from one of the best staffed and equipped universities in the world. But it's about time we began to season it with a little democratic responsibility.

Ag-Domecon has an ambitious program for the coming year. Its activities are expanding widely, and new ideas and projects are in all stages of development. It needs a good energetic bunch of members to carry them through—members who will represent the entire college involved, rather than a few small factions of it. There is no reason why we can't all vote, everyone of us. Let's not let democracy get rusty here, or anywhere.

## Ag Eng Dilemma

"The Ag Engineering building is scheduled to be erected in the near future just south of Wing Hall." Thus ran the cutline beneath a sketch of the proposed building. It appeared in the *Cornell Countryman* in May 1949.

The "near future" hasn't brought the department "all under one roof" nor does it seem likely that construction will begin for another two years.

But why has there been so much clamor for a new building in the past ten years? Why do farmers and leading farm organizations, such as the Farm Bureau say, "there is dire need for adequate building facilities for Agricultural Engineering?"

Since 1908 when bewhiskered "Gas Engine" Riley established farm mechanics in the basement of Stone Hall, the department has been constantly moved about campus. More important, it has grown

by leaps and bounds. Today over half of the ag students take at least one course in ag eng before leaving Cornell. Any one of them will attest to the existing noise and confusion when two labs are held simultaneously in one wing of the "temporary" building on Judd Falls Road.

Machinery and equipment, worth thousands, are also stored in this "highly combustible, easily destroyed by fire" building, so classified by R. W. Seidel, supervisor of the safety division.

Prior to October 1949, research and experimental work was bottlenecked in this same building. Then the department acquired a small building from the U.S. Engineers at the far end of Tower Road. With \$2,000 the structure was converted into a presentable research lab. This building today accommodates classes and labs in rural electrification, irrigation, surveying, and farm structures—all this in a research lab.

It seems highly probable that many a student considering advanced work in agricultural engineering has turned to another school after seeing grads stymied in our cluttered labs. Neither will this environment hold instructors and research men; we have some of the best in the field working here at this time.

### Future Action?

Enough said about confusion and wasted time that exists in the department because of classes, labs and offices scattered in numerous "temporary" buildings. The conscientious ag engineering department does not appreciate the constant pressure because of lack of adequate facilities for teaching, research, and extension. But it is fully aware of the present world situation and knows it will have to "get along" for a few years more.

The point we want to make is this:

When building materials and funds once again become available, let's remind our legislators—this applies whether we go into dairy, truck, or poultry farming—that the ag engineering department has been on the waiting list for a long, long time. And let's keep on reminding them until our needs are realized.

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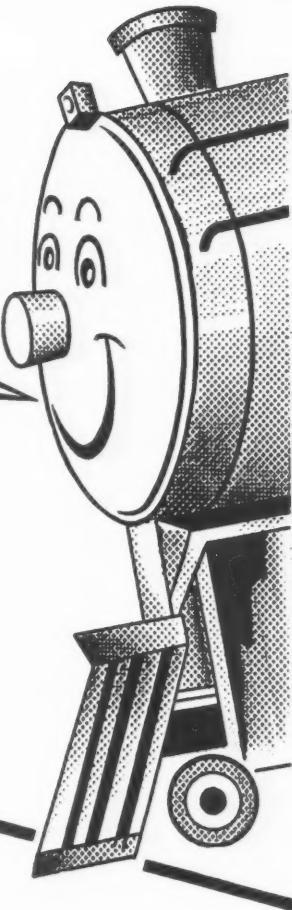
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from the general fields of home economics and architecture, but will also point out certain sociological and psychological factors which have an influence on the "livability" of farm kitchens.

One of the kitchen arrangements being tested, through the actual preparation of meals, will be on exhibit for the first time at 1951's Farm and Home Week. It is the plan of this regional project to develop a number of farm kitchen arrangements for testing, similar to the one that will be on exhibit. It is not proposed in the project to ultimately develop suggested or recommended floor plans for kitchen design, but rather to develop principles which can be applied by families in better kitchen planning. Also as a part of the research project a number of new types of cabinets are being designed for appraisal and testing to aid in the planning of better farm kitchens. It is expected that some of the findings from this project may be published within the next 18 months or two years.

### Many Specialists Close-by

"A University campus such as Cornell's is a most suitable environment for this type of investigation," according to Professor Beyer, "because there are outstanding specialists in the various fields close at hand." Many of these specialists also have background and training in research methods which is an aid to undertaking projects of the type described. The Housing Research Center, according to the Director, will continue objective experimentation and presentation of housing facts through coordinating and utilizing the resources and talents available in various fields over the campus. With this approach the findings which will be reported will reflect the advantage of participation of workers from a number of areas. As Professor Beyer said, "Our ultimate goal is to provide better housing for the family and this can best be accomplished by having architects, engineers, home economists, sociologists, labor specialists and others having an interest in this field work together toward this goal."

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### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE WEEK

#### Monday, March 19

- F.F.A. DAY.  
11:00 a.m. Father and Son Business Arrangements. Warren Hall Auditorium.  
2:00 p.m. Dean William I. Myers, The Farm Price Outlook and the National Emergency. Warren Hall Auditorium.  
2:00 p.m. Preview of College Life, Panel Discussion. Roberts Hall Assembly Room.  
8:00 p.m. Rice Debate Stage. Warren Hall Auditorium.

#### Tuesday, March 20

- 11:00 a.m. How the Spread between Producers and Consumers Prices can be reduced. Warren Hall Auditorium.  
2:00 p.m. Professor Knight Biggerstaff, Revolution in Asia. Bailey Hall.  
8:00 p.m. Cornell Grange Meeting, E. Carroll Bean, High Priest Demeter, speaker. Warren Hall Seminar.  
8:15 p.m. Kermis Kampus Kartwheels. Martha Van Rensselaer Auditorium.

#### Wednesday, March 21

- RURAL CHURCH DAY.  
9:30 a.m. New York State Rural Youth Conference, Opening Session. Warren Hall 125.  
10:00 a.m. Opening meeting of Rural Church Day. Warren Hall Seminar.  
2:00 p.m. Address by Richard Bissell, Deputy Administrator, Economic Cooperation Administration. Bailey Hall.  
3:00 p.m. Elsie Van Buren Rice Stage. Martha Van Rensselaer Auditorium.  
7:00 p.m. N.Y.S. Championship Sheep Shearing Contest, Finals Judging Pavilion.  
8:15 p.m. Haydn's Creation. Bailey Hall.

#### Thursday, March 22

- 10:00-5:00 p.m. Student Livestock Judging and Showmanship Contest. Judging Pavilion.  
11:00 a.m. Will Our Food Supplies be Adequate for Another World War? Warren Hall Auditorium.  
2:00 p.m. Mary Donlon, Chairman Workmen's Compensation Board, The Unfinished Task that Remains Before Us. Bailey Hall.  
4:00-5:00 p.m. Milk Maid Contest. Judging Pavilion.  
7:30 p.m. Eastman Stage Speaking Contest. Warren Hall Auditorium.  
8:00 p.m. Square and Round Dance with the Woodhull Boys. Barton Hall.

#### Friday, March 23

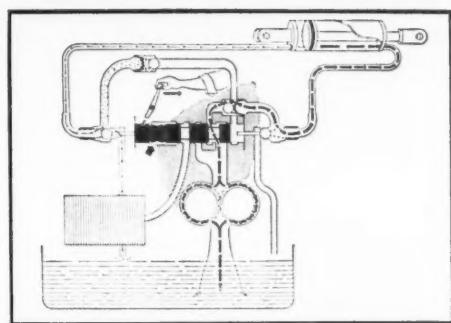
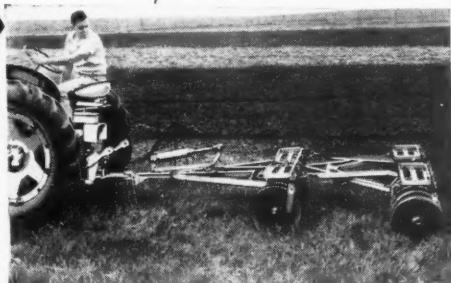
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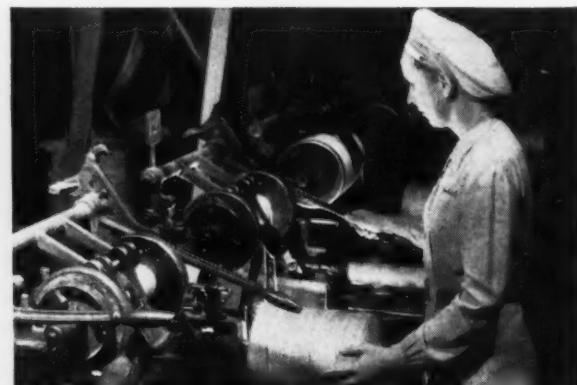
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